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BAR HILL NEWSLETTER

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The monthly bulletin of the
Bar Hill Residents Association,
distributed to all residents.

New Residents

We welcome this month:

Mr. Reynolds	103 Pheasant Rise
Mr. and Mrs. Harding,	61 Pheasant Rise
Mr. and Mrs. Hiles,	78 Pheasant Rise
Rev. and Mrs. Lincoln,	1 Pheasant Rise
Mr. and Mrs. Booth,	81 Pheasant Rise
Mr. and Mrs. McVoy,	88 Pheasant Rise
Mr. and Mrs. Braybrook,	59 Pheasant Rise
Mr. and Mrs. Mills,	87 Pheasant Rise.

Retired Residents

A group of retired residents recently met in the Church Centre to discuss forming a meeting place for the Retired, Housebound, and those living alone. From this meeting it was arranged that the meetings are to be held in the Church Centre on Mondays at 2.30 p.m. The following dates have been fixed:

August 6th	Beetle Drive
August 20th	Coach Tour through the Villages west of Bar Hill - tea at The Orchard Tea Gardens, Grantchester. To book, contact Mrs. Price, 9 Acorn Avenue, Crafts Hill 80501.
3rd September	General meeting, and talk and information on the villages visited on the Coach Tour.
17th September	Inaugural meeting to form the future Club.

Come and make this a happy afternoon and plans for the future club. (Mrs.) H. Price

Telephone

There is a pay box telephone now installed in the Church Centre which is available for public use during the hours when the Church is open (9 a.m. to 10 p.m., or thereabouts).

Bar Hill Art Exhibition

An exhibition of Art and Craft work will be mounted at the Church Centre on 22nd September. John Pook (32 Acorn Avenue, 80220) would welcome any work from people in the Village. Please contact him after 12th August if you have anything you can offer for the exhibition.

8 O'Clock Club

There will be no meetings during August.

R.N.I.B.

The collection in the Village came to £26.13. Thanks to everyone.

Part-time work

Are you looking for a part-time job? The Cambridgeshire Hotel has vacancies for a part-time accounts clerk (3 days a week) and for part-time evening cashiers. Or if you would like occasional employment without commitments, let us know, so that we can contact you as and when help is needed.

Please get in touch with: Mr. Harvey's Secretary (80555).

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Horticultural Society

We would like to thank all those who supported the Flower Show. Despite the rain the week before we had more entries than last year and were pleased at our modest success.

In the Garden Competition the judge commented that the standard of gardens was higher than in previous years and he was finding it more difficult to judge. The results were as follows:

Best Garden

1st	46 Acorn Avenue		7 Almond Grove
2nd	32 Acorn Avenue	Commended:	22 Almond Grove
3rd	6 Almond Grove		23 Almond Grove
4th	47 Acorn Avenue		1 Otter Gardens.

Best New Gardens

1st	69 Fox Hollow		
2nd	47 Fox Hollow		11 Pheasant Rise
3rd	43 Fox Hollow	Commended:	30 Pheasant Rise
4th	5 Partridge Drive, 28 Fox Hollow .		

Congratulations are especially due to the gardeners in the latter section, as they have produced some good results against the odds in a very short time.

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The Society continues to operate its trading store from 1 Oatlands Avenue, under difficult conditions but nevertheless going from strength to strength.

To our old members, and for that matter some of our newer ones, thank you for your support during these tedious times. It must be frustrating for you as well as for the Trading Secretary, trying to sort out your garden requirements amongst the boxes of nails and tins of paint; but despite all this we are always happy to do what we can. The promise of better things to come gives encouragement to the committee and we hope to you also; and better things will come in the foreseeable future.

We are always particularly anxious to welcome new members and the occasional malingering old one whom we may not have seen for some time, so do pay us a visit, it will undoubtedly be worth your while (and it encourages us).

We shall soon, I hope, be taking delivery of rockery stone. Despite faithful promises, it never appears, but one morning I expect to see the corner of Oatlands Avenue buried under a mountain of the stuff and will then welcome any enquiries regarding it; price will be £8 a ton delivered. There are few garden features that can provide so much interest and variety as a rockery, and most if not all gardens can find room for one, size being governed by garden area. You'll be surprised by the enormous variety of plants there are available and alpines are amongst some of the loveliest. So much nicer, too, if you can incorporate even a small pool as an additional feature, and there are a huge variety of bog and aquatic plants, many very beautiful.

National Gardens Scheme

The following gardens will be open to the public (in aid of charity) in August:

Friday 24th (2 to 6 p.m.) Peckover House, Wisbech (National Trust)
Admission 10p (children 5p). Gardens only. Teas. No dogs.

Sunday, 26th (2 to 7 p.m.) Longstowe Hall. Teas. Admssion 10p (children 5p).

Clerk to the Parish Council

Owing to the pressure of work the present Clerk has resigned from the post. Applications are invited from residents willing to take over the post; these should be returned to either The Chairman, C. Lakin, 22 Almond Grove; or The Clerk, T. Parrott, 2 Acorn Avenue, by the end of August.

The Clerk is required to attend all Meetings of the Council, to keep the Minutes of the Meeting and deal with the correspondence that arises from the Meeting. It would be an advantage if the applicant had access to facilities for typing and duplicating. The salary will be not less than £80 per annum and will increase as the Village grows.

Thanks

The Editor would like to record his thanks to Kay Briggs and family, and Eddie Taylor and family, who will shortly be leaving Bar Hill, for all their help in delivering this Newsletter.
Thank you too to Kevin Read-Jones and friends for producing the July edition..

Parish Council Report

Health Centre A sheltered pram park will be provided. The Centre should be open about the beginning of September.

Flag Poles A revised application for "8 flag poles only" along the entrance road has been submitted. The Council are seeking the removal of all the poles.

Village Hall To be discussed at the September Meeting. The Council could raise money in various ways: by accumulation from the precept; by public appeal; from grants or from loans. Possibly a joint Hall and Pavilion would be a practical idea. The Council will sound out potential users as to their needs.

Old People's Welfare Council Mr. Martindale outlined the pattern of such an organisation and showed how it could be established and used in Bar Hill. The matter will again be discussed in September after the Council has consulted with the bodies likely to be concerned with the Council.

Village Green - Playground Area The Council have agreed to purchase from C. Wicksteeds one 10ft. swing with 6 seats and one 6ft. merry-go-round, both to be erected as soon as the area is marked out. This purchase will be the first of a series designed to establish an area equipped with conventional equipment in the corner of the Green near the Old Farmhouse.

Concessionary Bus Fares As from 1st July all persons over 65 years old are entitled to reduced fares on all local Bus Services. There are details on the Notice Board; or apply to Chesterton R.D.C., Great Eastern House, Tenison Road, Cambridge.

Damage to Trees - particularly in the area of the Park. Would you please ask your children to avoid damaging them as they play on and around the trees.

Resignations Mr. E. Taylor, who is leaving Bar Hill, from the Parish Council The Clerk (see notice on p.2).

T. Parrott

Bar Hill Residents Association
From the Secretary's Notepad

Firstly, my thanks to all who helped make the Summer Fair Prize Draw and Dance such a success. We made £65 which will be used to buy Playground equipment for the Village Green. Prize Draw results:

1st.	Ticket no.	2006	J. Bunton	£10	2nd.	No. 1217	No name	£5
3rd.	"	2768	M. Turner	£3	4th.	No. 0029	Mr. Johnson	£2
5th	"	4181	Mrs. Tuck	Bottle.				

The 2nd prize is as yet unclaimed. Please contact me if you have the lucky ticket.

The Developers have asked if residents would assist them in the following: (1) To keep children off the building sites (there is an 8' water-filled trench on Phase 7). (2) To keep children from digging up the surface of footpaths (including mine!) (3) Not to dump refuse in ditches or hedgerows in the Village - PLEASE. (4) To stop pilferage from landscaped areas: 400 shrubs were planted adjacent to Phase 3. There are now about 10 left.

Sports Clubs at the Cambridgeshire Hotel. The management have replied that they are unable to offer reduced rates for the swimming pool or squash courts, if Clubs are formed. I gather that the Tennis Courts can now be booked in advance. The Committee regret that they have been unable to negotiate any cheaper rates, especially for children. We will however keep an eye on the situation and perhaps try again later in the year.

Kevin Read-Jones

So! It is farewell
To Marsha and Ole and family
Stalwarts of Acorn Avenue
(Second court, left).

We shall miss you sadly
O Fairy Queen, Lady Bressingham
You have seen residents come and go
Taking their sheds with them.

Now you are going
And we wish you well:
Our loss will be Glatton's gain.

We shall miss Chris
Wandering round and round and round
And round.

I said to my friend up the hill
'It's sad that the Palmanns are going'
And (rather sadly, I thought) he replied
'Who are the Palmanns?'

EJT